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**AMENDMENT A**

SIR:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed August 23, 2006, which set a shortened statutory period expiring November 23, 2006, please enter the following amendments and consider the accompanying Remarks.